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What: Dixie National Parade

When: Saturday, February 13; 10:30 a.m.

Where: Downtown Jackson - Begins at the corner of Jefferson & Mississippi
Streets near the Fairgrounds

Downtown Jackson Makes Way for 2016 Dixie National Parade

Don your boots, chaps and cowboy hats as the streets of downtown Jackson make way for the Dixie National Parade on Saturday, February 13, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Spectators are encouraged to put their best boot forward and be a cowboy for the day as they enjoy the procession of beauty queens, marching groups, floats, car clubs, motorcycles, horses, wagons, riding groups and so much more. The much-anticipated, annual parade provides wholesome entertainment for the entire family.

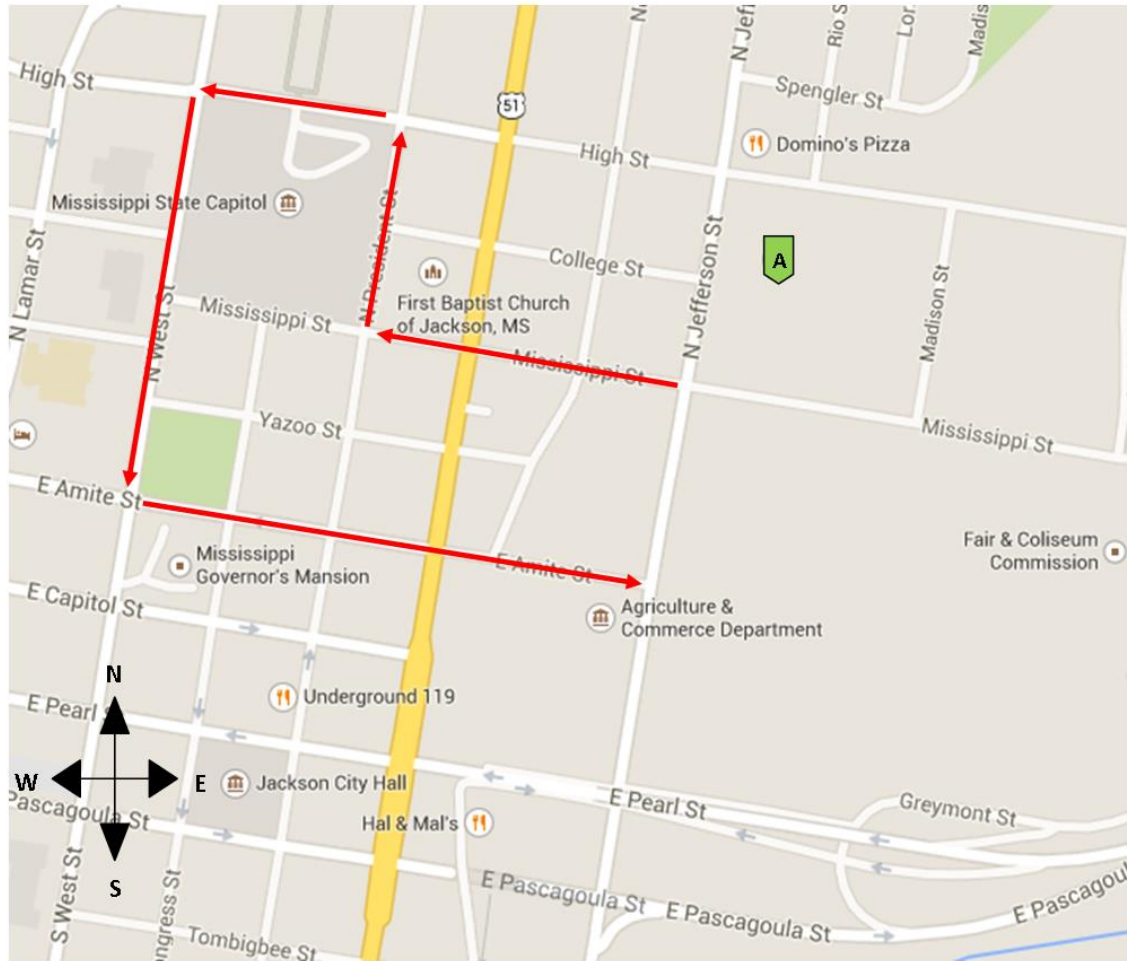
Beginning at the corner of Mississippi and Jefferson Streets, the procession travels down Mississippi Street, circles the Capitol, and finally takes a left onto Amite Street before returning to the Fairgrounds. Spectators are encouraged to watch from the Capitol grounds near President, High or West Streets for best viewing. Following the parade, Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Cindy Hyde-Smith will present awards to the winning groups at the Mississippi Farmers Market at 12:30 p.m.

The Dixie National Parade celebrates the 2016 Dixie National Rodeo, which begins on Thursday, February 11, and continues through Wednesday, February 17. The rodeo will display the best of Smith, Harper and Morgan rodeo stock. Special entertainers will be featured at the conclusion of the rodeo each evening. This year's musical entertainment lineup also includes Easton Corbin, Maddie & Tae, John Anderson, Joe Diffie, Frankie Ballard and 38 Special. Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com. For up-to-date information on the rodeo, concerts and schedules, download the Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo mobile app, visit www.dixienational.org, "like" the Dixie National Livestock Show & Rodeo on Facebook, or call 601-961-4000.

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Parade map attached.

2016 Dixie National Parade– Spectator Information



Dixie National Parade :

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 PARADE ROUTE